(ii) Implementation of a number of-centrally sponsored schemes such as Integrated Development Small and Medium Towns, Nehru Rozgar Yojana, Urban Basic Services for the Poor, Low Cost Sanitation for Liberation of Scavengers etc.

(iii) Development of National Housing Policy Document.

(iv) Securing financial assistance from external funding agencies for development of cities, towns such as World Bank, ADB, ODA (UK), OECF (Japan).

(v) The enactment of 74th Consitut-ional Amendment Act, 199.?. which envisages town planning and planning for social and economic development as legitimate municipal functions under the 12th Schedule of the Constitution.

Notification Classifying Allottees Under Rehabilitation Schemes

1642. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have issusd any notification classifying the original ail-ottees who are in possession of the allotted lands under the Rehabilitation Schemes. separately and provide them a reduced rate of convcrsiion fee on connection with the conversion of leasehold properties into free-hold in Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON; : (a) No, Sir. The matter is still under consideration of the Government.

(b) Doss not arise.

Involvement of DDA Officials in Property Rackets

1643. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a large number of property rackets involving officials of DDA who allowed (i) the Skipper Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd., New Delhi to take possession of Jhandewallan Tower land, start construction and sell flats before fully recovering this auction amount of the land as reported in the Hindustan Times dated 30th Novemver, 1994 and (ii) issued an advertisement for inviting applications from DDA's SFS's registrants for the Mud Village Society Complex, a real estate racket in which several people were made to shell out lakhs of rupees in the hope of getting flats as reported in the Hindustan Times dated 25th November 1994;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof indicating the names of DDA's officials involved in above rackets; and

(c) what action Government have taken so far to punish the guilty and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON) : (a) DDA has reported that M/s. Skipper Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd. purchase ihe tower plot at Jhandewalan in the open auction held on 8-10-80 for a sum of Rs. 9.82 crpres. 25% of the bid amount was paid as earnest money at the fall of hammer and the remaining 75% was required to be
paid by 13-1-81, i.e. within 80 days of the issue of demand letter. The auction purchaser, however, failed to deposit the demanded amount within the stipulated time and quested for payment in instalments. After detailed examination of the case. DDA was directed by Government to hand over possession of the plot to the auction-purchaser on receipt of 50% of the total premium and remaining 50% premium was allowed to be paid in 5 equated half yearly instalments of Rs. 1,94,36,900. Pursuant to the directions of Government, the auction-purchaser paid the 50% of the premium of the plot & executed the agreement to pay the instalments and also executed the Licence Deed in respect of the tower plot. Thereupon the possession of the plot was handed over to the auction-purchuser on 11-8-87 on license basis to commence the construction